

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
December 15, 2005

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met in room 230 of the Davis County Courthouse, Farmington, Utah on December 15, 2005. Members present were Chairman Carol R. Page, Commissioner Dannie R. McConkie, Commissioner Alan Hansen, Clerk/Auditor Steve S. Rawlings, Chief Deputy Civil County Attorney Gerald E. Hess, and Commission Office Manager Linda May.

Chairman Carol Page called the meeting to order and welcomed all those in attendance.

Year End
Budget
Changes for
2005

Jonathan Lee, Chief Deputy of Finance, Davis County Clerk/Auditor Office, presented budget changes for 2005 as follows:

Fund 10	\$4,352.00	Increase Rev & Expense for Bomb Tech Training from Homeland Security Grant
Fund 10	\$48,793.00	Increase Rev & Expense from Homeland Security Grant for Buffer Zone
Fund 18	\$100,000.00	Increase Rev & Expenses Related to the DCC Gala
Fund 18	\$65,000.00	Reserve Fund Balance Budget for DCC Operation for '05
Fund 18	\$36,000.00	Transfer In & Out for DCC Construction – Layton Water Impact Fees
Fund 21	\$237,000.00	Increase Rev & Expense for Antelope Island Repair Work
Fund 24	\$70,000.00	Increase Rev & Expenses for Farmington Canyon Rd. & Firebreak Rd.
Fund 25	\$17,000.00	Increase Rev & Expenses for Building Inspections
Fund 62	\$36,581.08	Expense to Accelerate the Telephone Wiring Project from 06 to 05

Commissioner Hansen made a motion to approve. Commissioner McConkie seconded the motion. All voted aye. The documents are on file in the office of the Davis County Clerk/Auditor.

Commissioner Hansen made a motion to go into a public hearing. Commissioner McConkie seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Budget
Message for
2006

Steve Rawlings presented the budget message for calendar 2006. County Management has continued to trim budgets and react to declining revenues during the 2005 calendar year. At the end of the third quarter revenue projections showed slippage of approximately \$2 million and departmental expenditure budgets were officially reduced by the same \$2 million to balance with the declining revenues. This allowed the County to hold firm to the goal established during 2003 to maintain and increase the General Fund balance and continue to meet our goals. Achieving this fund balance goal is the key to keeping our bond ratings high and our interest costs minimized. The highlights are as follows:

No Property tax increase.

Employee Allocations:

COLA	2.25%
401K Match	1.0%
Merit System Left Intact	
Retirement Incentive Program	
Full Implementation of Employee Wellness Program	
Incentives to Employees to Improve Personal Health	
9.0 FTE equivalents – Jail Expansion	
3.0 FTE Equivalents – Information Systems	
.5 FTE Equivalents – Aging Services	
2.0 FTE Equivalents – Health Department	
19.0 FTE Equivalents – New Library	

1.0 FTE Equivalents – Facilities

Jail Expansion Completion
Opening Anticipated Early 2007
Additional 2006 Operating Costs
9 FTE Equivalents (Included above)
Related Expenditures Budgeted
2007 Tax Increase will be Necessary (delayed one year)

Tourism Fund
Revenues increase anticipated up 8%
Interlocal Agreement with South Davis Recreation District

Library System Expanded
Open Centerville Library in Spring of 2006
19.5 FTE Equivalents (included above)
Related Expenditures Budgeted
Interlocal Agreement with Kaysville to Utilize County Library System
Kaysville Residents Pay Similar Amount Only to County

New Department of Motor Vehicle Building for Residents
Built Utilizing Lease/Revenue Bond Through Municipal Building Authority
Drive Up Windows for Ease to Residents

HAVA (Help America Vote Act)
New Technology Utilizing Electronic Voting Equipment
Estimated One Time Expenditures Included
Test Elections Held in Farmington – Great Results
Anticipated Legislation to Help Minimize Cost to Taxpayers
Early Voting
Consolidated Precincts

The following citizens spoke:

Ron Mortensen
Dixie Weeks
Richard Watson
Bret Millburn

Commissioner Page referred to paragraph 4 of the budget message for calendar 2006. The County Departments identified approximately \$12 million more in requested budget allocations than available revenues for the 2006 budget. Budget committee reductions to those requests matched the revenues and anticipated approved carryover items to the recommended expenditure budgets being requested for approval. The total county budget for payroll and operating expenditures less the jail expansion project paid for from bond monies leaves us with approved expenditures matching revenues of approximately \$72.3 million plus approved carryover items from 2005. The total revenue stream is up 1.9% from those revenues originally budgeted for 2005. Property tax and related sales tax revenues are up by 4.1%. Tourism tax revenues are the bright spot showing an anticipated increase of 7.6%. All other revenue streams including grants and fees are showing a decline thus producing a total increase of 1.9%.

Commissioner McConkie expressed appreciation to Steve Rawlings, Davis County Clerk/Auditor, Jonathan Lee, Chief Deputy of Finance, Clerk/Auditor’s Office, and Carl Allen, Chief Deputy of Administration, Clerk/Auditor’s office, for their outstanding efforts towards the budget preparation.

Commissioner Hansen stated that the Budget Committee looked very hard at the tax increase and which year to implement. Citizen comments were helpful and efforts were made to make consideration of the input.

Commissioner McConkie made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Public
Comments
from Citizens

Budget
Allocation
Process

2006 Budget
Approval

Commissioner McConkie made a motion to approve the 2006 Budget for Davis County as presented.
Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. All voted aye.
Meeting adjourned.